

Council Member Kimbrough introduced the following:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 92.101.22R (MC)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING OCTOBER 3–7, 2022 DIGITAL INCLUSION WEEK IN THE CITY OF ALBANY

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has revealed further inequities in our city, the nation and world and has shown just how important digital knowledge and connectivity is; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City School District of Albany measured the digital divide amongst our students to be upwards of 40%, which has posed a significant challenge; and

WHEREAS, in this day and age: computers, internet access, and technology training and support programs have become essential to the new digital economy; and

WHEREAS, internet access has played a pivotal role, not just in the City of Albany but around the world, where citizens of totalitarian regimes have used the internet as a way to speak freely to criticize their governments, and report on issues in their countries to the rest of the globe; and

WHEREAS, digital knowledge has become a necessary skill in the COVID-19 pandemic and for the future of our nation and City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Albany declares October 3-7, 2022 as Digital Inclusion Week; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council encourages all residents to engage in programming and conversation regarding digital inclusion.

To: Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk
From: Ethan Samuel, Legislative Aide
Re: Common Council Legislation
Supporting Memorandum
Date: October 3, 2022

SPONSOR Council Member Kimbrough

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GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION

To declare October 3-7, 2022 Digital Inclusion Week in the City of Albany.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND ANY CHANGE TO EXISTING LAW

See body of text.

FISCAL IMPACT(S)

None.